

Table 10. Underground Natural Gas Storage - by Season, 1996-1999

(Volumes in Billion Cubic Feet)

Year, Season and Month	Natural Gas in Underground Storage at End of Period			Change In Working Gas from Same Period Previous Year		Storage Activity		
	Base Gas	Working Gas	Total	Volume	Percent	Injections	Withdrawals	Net Withdrawals ^a
October 1996	4,335	2,810	7,145	--	--	--	--	--
1996-1997 Heating Season								
November	4,339	2,549	6,889	-179	-6.6	90	354	264
December	4,341	2,173	6,513	19	0.9	86	461	374
January	4,347	1,496	5,843	32	2.3	68	753	684
February	4,342	1,139	5,481	118	11.6	55	413	358
March	4,345	990	5,336	232	30.7	131	285	155
Total	—	—	—	—	—	430	2,266	1,835
1997 Refill Season								
April	4,342	1,051	5,393	196	23.1	205	146	-59
May	4,340	1,365	5,704	202	17.5	362	41	-321
June	4,357	1,731	6,088	202	13.2	407	42	-365
July	4,356	2,017	6,372	119	6.3	361	78	-282
August	4,357	2,338	6,695	93	4.2	378	56	-322
September	4,360	2,672	7,033	67	2.6	380	44	-336
October	4,358	2,886	7,244	75	2.7	294	84	-210
Total	—	—	—	—	—	2,388	492	-1,896
1997-1998 Heating Season								
November	4,359	2,699	7,058	150	5.9	113	302	189
December	4,350	2,175	6,525	2	0.1	45	579	533
January	4,347	1,713	6,060	218	14.5	68	535	466
February	4,341	1,419	5,760	280	24.6	74	373	300
March	4,342	1,185	5,527	194	19.6	136	378	242
Total	—	—	—	—	—	436	2,167	1,730
1998 Refill Season								
April	4,339	1,382	5,721	331	31.5	277	78	-199
May	4,340	1,775	6,115	410	30.0	435	42	-393
June	4,346	2,103	6,448	372	21.5	375	52	-323
July	4,340	2,417	6,757	401	19.9	366	52	-314
August	4,336	2,697	7,033	359	15.4	342	58	-283
September	4,340	2,949	7,289	277	10.4	305	78	-227
October	4,342	3,176	7,517	290	10.0	301	46	-255
Total	—	—	—	—	—	2,402	407	-1,995
1998-1999 Heating Season								
November	4,340	3,143	7,483	444	16.5	131	165	34
December	4,326	2,718	7,044	543	25.0	94	530	435
January	4,327	2,094	6,421	381	22.2	55	678	623
February	4,312	1,792	6,104	372	26.2	62	395	333
March	^b 4,361	^b 1,430	5,792	246	20.7	84	381	297
Total	—	—	—	—	—	427	2,148	1,721
1999 Refill Season								
April	4,355	1,514	5,869	131	9.5	203	112	-91
May	4,346	1,847	6,192	72	4.0	380	43	-337
June	4,344	2,157	6,501	54	2.6	345	40	-306
July	4,350	2,390	6,740	-27	-1.1	303	78	-225
August(STIFS)	^{RE} 4,350	^{RE} 2,620	^{RE} 6,970	^{RE} -77	^{RE} -2.9	NA	NA	^{RE} -230
September(STIFS)	^E 4,350	^E 2,956	^E 7,306	^E 7	^E 0.2	NA	NA	^E -336

^a Negative numbers indicate the volume of injections in excess of withdrawals. Positive numbers indicate the volume of withdrawals in excess of injections.

^b Reflects one respondent's reclassification of natural gas in underground storage from working gas to base gas.

^R Revised Data.

^E Estimated Data.

^{RE} Revised Estimated Data.

NA Not Available.

— Not Applicable.

Notes: Data for 1996 and 1997 are final. All other data are preliminary unless otherwise noted. Estimates for the most recent two months are derived from the Short-Term Integrated Forecasting System (STIFS). See

Explanatory Note 7 of the *Natural Gas Monthly* for discussion of revision policy. Gas in storage at the end of a reporting period may not equal the quantity derived by adding or subtracting net injections or withdrawals during the period to the quantity of gas in storage at the beginning of the period. This is due to changes in the quantities of native gas included in base gas and/or losses in base gas due to migration from storage reservoirs. Totals may not equal sum of components because of independent rounding. Geographic coverage is the 50 States and the District of Columbia.

Sources: Form EIA-191, "Underground Natural Gas Storage Report," Form EIA-176, "Annual Report of Natural and Supplemental Gas Supply and Disposition," and STIFS.